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Lara Simmons Nichols, Esquire Duke Power Post Office Box 1244 Charlotte, NC 28201-1244

IN RE: DOCKET NO. 2006-3-E – DUKE POWER – ANNUAL REVIEW OF BASE RATES FOR FUEL COSTS

Dear Ms. Nichols:

Enclosed herewith is the Notice of Hearing concerning the above-captioned Docket. In order to proceed with the processing of this matter, it will be necessary for you to accomplish the following:

- 1. Publish at your own expense, on or before **June 1, 2006** the enclosed Notice of Hearing in newspapers of general circulation in the affected areas, and provide the undersigned Proof of Publication on or before **June 22, 2006**.
- 2. Furnish at your own expense, on or before **June 1, 2006** by U.S. Mail, the enclosed Notice of Hearing to each customer and provide a certification on or before **June 22, 2006** that this notification has been furnished.

Failure to comply with the above on or before the dates indicated may result in the **DISMISSAL** of your pleading.

Please carefully review the Notice. If the Notice is not to your satisfaction or if you find any errors, please notify us before publishing.

In the meantime, if you should require additional information, please advise.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: